

## Lesson 8: Re-marriage or Stepfamilies



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<b>Remarried</b> - to marry again.	<i>Her mother died in childhood, and her father remarried when she was a baby.</i>
<b>Announce</b> - to make something known or tell people about something officially.	<i>They announced the death of their mother in the local paper.</i>

**Dialogue Reading:**

*Who is he?*

**Tina:** Why did mom send us a message to come here?

**Don:** I don't know, mom said she has something important to announce.

**Tina:** Announce? Hmm I wonder!

**Mom:** Hi there, kids! I am here to ask you how you would feel about having a new dad?

**Tina:** WHAT?! A new dad? Are you ok mom?

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**Mom:** But he already asked me to marry him and become part of this family.

**Tina:** Who is he?

**Mom:** I will introduce him to you when the right time comes.

**Don:** What? Mom, what you are saying is confusing.

**Tina:** Yeah! I didn't know that you were seeing someone. And now suddenly you are telling us we will have a new dad? Ohhhh.

**Exercise:**

*Answer the following*

1. What is stepparent?

- a. a person who is married to one's mother or father, but is one's biological parent.
- b. a person who is starting a new family and will have children soon.
- c. a person who becomes one's parent after both of one's parents die.

2. What does it mean to remarry?

- a. to legally dissolve a marriage
- b. to have relations with another person when one is married.

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4. Why do some parents remarry? Do you consider this an alternative for a happy family?

5. What are the effects on children whose parent is marrying someone other than one's biological person?